

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of Confirmation No.: 2806  
 Toru OKABE, et. al. Date: June 5, 2007  
 Serial No.: 10/517,036 Group Art Unit: 1742  
 Filed: May 25, 2005 Examiner: Weiping Zhu  
 For: **METAL POWDER PRODUCTION PROCESS AND METAL COMPOUND  
 FEED COMPACT**

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**VIA EFS-WEB**  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION**

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed February 5, 2007 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

**FEE CALCULATION**

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR			EXTRA PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>MINUS</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>* =</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>INDEP.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>MINUS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>** =</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM</b>						
<b>* not less than 20</b>	<b>** not less than 3</b>					<b>TOTAL \$0</b>

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**CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

1.  If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2.  If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3.  If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4.  If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.